

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

**RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE**

In re Application of : Customer Number: 31824  
Kiminobu HIRATA : Confirmation Number: 5551  
Application No.: 10/566,367 : Group Art Unit: 3748  
371(c) Date: October 30, 2006 : Examiner: Diem T. Tran  
For: EXHAUST GAS PURIFICATION :  
APPARATUS OF ENGINE :

Mail Stop AF  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**RESPONSE AFTER FINAL REJECTION**

Sir:

In response to the final Office Action dated December 8, 2008, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**A Listing of the Claims** is provided on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 3 of this paper.